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SUBJ: U.S. PRC CULTURAL EXCHANGES

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1. ON FEBRUARY 13 ANDERSON CALLED ON CHENG CHI-HUNG AND LEFT LETTER FROM NCUSCR VICE PRESIDENT DOUGLAS MURRAY TO CHI CHI CHAO-CHU CONCERNING PROPOSED EXCHANGES (REF B). CHENG SAID MFA HAD ALREADY RECEIVED LETTER AND HAD PASSED ON POINTS RAISED IN IT TO THE APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONS. ANDERSON EMPHASIZED PARTICULAR URGENCY OF TIMING PROBLEM FOR MARTIAL ARTS TROUPE (PARA 2, REF A), NOTING THAT SCHEDULING APPROPRIATE AUDITORIUMS MUST BE DONE WELL IN ADVANCE. HE SUGGESTED THAT EVEN NOW IT MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO POSTPONE UNTIL MAY, JUNE OR EARLY FALL. CHENG INDICATED SHE UNDERSTOOD OUR PROBLEMS AND SAID SHE WOULD TRY TO GET AN ANSWER FOR US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. ANDERSON ALSO RAISED QUESTION (PARA 4, REF A) OF ATHLETIC TEAM, NOTING PROBLEMS WITH AMATEUR TRACK AND FIELD TEAM MENTIONED DURING JANUARY 9 CONVERSATION. HE INDICATED U.S. WILLINGNESS TO SEND PROFESSIONAL TEAM OR AMATEUR TEAM IN SOME OTHER SPORT, NOTING THAT WE FELT QUESTION OF WHAT TYPE OF TEAM SENT SHOULD FIRST BE DECIDED ON GOVERNMENTAL BASIS. CHENG SAID PRC WILLING TO DISCUSS ON GOVERNMENTAL BASIS, BUT IT WOULD FIRST BE NECESSARY TO CONSULT THE APPROPRIATE SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS, AND MANY OF THEM VERY BUSY AT PRESENT.

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3. COMMENT: CHINESE RESPONSE WAS PREDICTABLE,
BUT AT LEAST WE HAVE EMPHASIZED THE URGENCY WE ATTACH TO
GETTING EARLY ANSWERS TO OUR QUESTIONS. AS WE HAVE NOTED
EARLIER, THE ENTIRE DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY IS FINDING IT
INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT TO GET FIRM ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS
ON CULTURAL EXCHANGES, AND PRC RESPONSE WILL DEPEND MORE
ON IMPACT OF CURRENT IDEOLOGICAL CAMPAIGN THAN ON EXTERNAL
FACTORS. ATMOSPHERICS JHWUUTING# NEVERTHELESS REMAINED
RELAXED.
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